is a full-timed X-Ray Expert anywhere in the Madras Presidency and elsewhere? Whether it is not the practice to get Assistant Surgeons trained in Madras to do the work on an allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem?

DIWAN BAHADUR Dr. V. VERGHESE (*Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer.*)

Government have no information.

Appointment of the X-Ray Expert in the Ernakulam Hospital.

Mr. PAULO MAMPILLI (*Narakkal.*)

6. (a) Will the Government be pleased to state whether there are not Assistant Surgeons in the Cochin Medical Department with Indian and English qualifications who would have been willing to undergo special training in X-Ray work?

(b) Is there not discontent in the above Department on account of the appointment of new men who stand in the way of promotions of those already in the service?

DIWAN BAHADUR Dr. V. VERGHESE (*Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer*).

(a) Government had no occasion to ascertain.

(b) Government are not aware of any worth the notice.

Statement of the number of Medical men and women in the Ernakulam General Hospital.

Mr. PAULO MAMPILLI (*Narakkal*).

7. (a) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of medical men and women working in the Ernakulam General Hospital and the number of in-patients there? In this connection will the Government be pleased to state whether any record is kept showing the work done by the several Doctors in the Ernakulam General Hospital?

(b) If there is, will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the work done by each officer?

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DIWAN BAHADUR Dr. V. VERGHESE (*Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer*).

(a) There are at present two Civil Surgeons, two Assistant Surgeons, four Sub-Assistant Surgeons and three lady Sub-Assistant Surgeons. The number of in-patients varies from day to day ; the daily average number during the last ten months was 156·2 making a total of 2,799. The following shows the distribution of work among the staff of the General Hospital.

1 Civil Surgeon in charge.

1 Assistant Surgeon for male Medical Ward with 30 beds.

1 Sub-Assistant Surgeon for male Surgical Ward with 42 beds.

1 Sub-Assistant Surgeon for Laboratory work and Antirabic treatment.

1 Sub-Assistant Surgeon-Anaesthetist and in charge of Store and a portion of the Surgical Ward.

1 Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon for women and children Medical Ward with 32 beds.

1 Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon for women and children Surgical and Obstetrical Wards with 48 beds.

1 Assistant Surgeon on the male side of the Out-patient Dispensary. Daily attendance about 150.

1 Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon on the female side of the Out-patient Dispensary. Daily attendance about 200.

1 Additional Civil Surgeon in charge of the Ophthalmic Hospital having a daily average of twelve in-patients and 50-60 out-patients and X-Ray work.

1 Sub-Assistant Surgeon, assistant in the Ophthalmic Hospital and also in charge of the Leper Asylum.

There are two reserve hands in connection with school inspection, special duties and as relieving hands who work in the General Hospital when not engaged on the above duties.

(b) Vide answer to (a).

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